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SUBJ: ORINOCO SHIPPING COMPANY VESSEL (E-USN LSM)

REF: STATE 247224

1. SEARCH INITIATED BY U.S. NAVAL MISSION PUERTO CABELLO THREE WEEKS AGO TO NO AVAIL. HOWEVER, USN WARRANT OFFICER AT THAT PORT SAID HE IS "PRETTY SURE" THAT HE SAW SHIP IN QUESTION SEVERAL MONTHS AGO IN PUERTO CABELLO LOADED WITH ROLLS OF NEWSPRINT.

2. DEA REGIONAL OFFICE CARACAS HAS REPORT THAT A VESSEL CALLED ELIZABETH CURRENTLY CARRYING "SUGAR, ETC.," FROM COLOMBIA TO BONNAIRE, AND "CIGARETTES, ETC.," FROM BONNAIRE TO COLOMBIA. SUBJECT VESSEL HAS BEEN DESCRIBED BY A WITNESS AS "A LONG, BLACK, UGLY SHIP."

3. DEA REPORT ALSO INDICATES THAT ELIZABETH HAS BEEN SO ENGAGED FOR POST COUPLE OF YEARS AND THAT THE OWNER OF RECORD IS ALLEGED TO BE A SR. DEPOL OF CURACAO, WHEREAS ITS ACTUAL OWNER IS A SR. ALFREDO FLORE EDEN, A VENEZUELAN CITIZEN, WHO IS CURRENTLY SERVING A FIFTEEN YEAR SENTENCE IN THE U.S. FOR CONVICTION UNDER OUR NARCOTIC LAWS.

4. THE VENEZUELAN NARCOTIC AUTHORITIES RECENTLY REQUESTED FROM DEA INFORMATION ON THE VESSEL AND WE SURMISE THIS INTEREST TO HAVE BEEN GENERATED BY FLORE EDEN'S OWNERSHIP OF THE VESSEL.

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5. SUGGEST INQUIRES BE DIRECTED TO CURACAO AND BOGOTA.  
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